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New Britain Parks and Recreation is Accepting Registrations for Start Smart Baseball

Mayor Timothy Stewart, Chairman Jamie Giantonio and Vice Chairman Paul Shaker Sr. announced today that the New Britain Parks and Recreation Department is once again providing Start Smart Baseball to the youth and parents of New Britain. Start Smart Baseball is a developmentally appropriate introductory baseball program for children ages 3 – 5 years old. The program introduces children to America's Pastime in a fun and non-competitive environment. Parents work with their children under the guidance of instructors with years of experience coaching and playing baseball. Each parent/child pair will receive a manual which allows the parent to chart and follow the amazing progress each child makes week to week. "Children make amazing improvements week to week, and have a blast doing it. After seeing kids take this class, you can already see a passion for baseball develop. You won't be able to get them off the field" Rex Cone, Start Smart Baseball Instructor.

Classes will be held for six weeks on Thursdays from 5:00 – 6:00 P.M. between May 20, 2010 and June 24, 2010 at A.W. Stanley Park. The fee is \$55.00 per person. Registration forms are currently being accepted on a first-come first-served basis at the New Britain Parks and Recreation Department in room 302 of City Hall, 27 West Main Street. Participants may register via mail-in registration, via WebTrac at www.new-britain.net/recnpark/. You will need your Household ID number to register online. Register in person at the Parks and Recreation office Monday-Friday, 8:15a.m.-3:45p.m. Call the Recreation Hotline at 826-3360 for a brochure, registration forms, and more program information or visit us on the web at http://www.new-britain.net/recnpark